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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUING EXAMINATION**

Dear Sir:

This Request For Continuing Examination is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed September 16, 2010 and the Advisory Action dated December 3, 2010.

Reconsideration is respectfully requested. Applicant respectfully requests a two-month extension of time to respond to the above Office Action. The extension fee will be paid by credit card with this electronic transmission.

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